

Stage II Fire Restrictions

EFFECTIVE IN STILLWATER COUNTY

June 30, 2021

12:01 A.M.

Pursuant to Adoption of Resolution 2021- 16

Montana Fire Season - May 1 through September 30

Implement and enforce the State of Montana Fire Rules and Regulations

Stage II Restrictions: The following acts are prohibited until further notice:

1. Building maintaining, attending, or using fire or campfire.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
3. The following acts are prohibited from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.:
 - a. Operating any internal combustion engine
 - b. Welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame.
 - c. Using an explosive.

A patrol is required for two hours following cessation of all work as described

4. Operating motorized vehicles off designated roads and trails.
5. The discharge or use of **fireworks** is prohibited until further notice.

Stage II Exemptions:

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG that can be turned on and off.
3. Operating motorized vehicles on designated roads and trails.
4. Emergency repair of public utilities and railroads as per attached conditions.
5. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
6. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
7. All land within a city boundary is exempted (Columbus).
8. Other exemptions unique to each agency/tribe.
9. Agriculture harvesting and off road activities associated with the agricultural operations (e.g. maintaining livestock, watering facilities, etc.), and other exemptions unique to each agency/tribe. **A 2 hour foot patrol is required following cessation of all agriculture activities.**


An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.


All persons engaged in agriculture activities are encouraged to carry fire suppressant equipment - including but not limited to an axe, bucket, shovel, fire extinguisher, etc.

DATED this 30th day of June, 2021.

STILLWATER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


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